1 Honorable Barbara J. Rothstein 2 3 4 5 6 7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON 8 AT SEATTLE 9 KING COUNTY, a Washington municipal | Case No. 2:14-cv-01957 BJR corporation, 10 **ORDER GRANTING CERTAIN** Plaintiff, 11 UNDERWRITERS AT LLOYD'S LONDON AND CERTAIN LONDON 12 MARKET COMPANIES, NORTH RIVER INSURANCE COMPANY, TRAVELERS INDEMNITY COMPANY: 13 AND BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY et al., SPECIALTY INSURANCE 14 Defendants. COMPANY'S (FKA STONEWALL 15 INSURANCE COMPANY) MOTION APPROVING SETTLEMENT AND 16 BARRING CLAIMS 17 NOTE ON MOTION CALENDAR: 18 June 7, 2019 19 This matter comes before the Court on Certain Underwriters at Lloyd's 20 London and Certain London Market Companies, North River Insurance Company, 21 and Berkshire Hathaway Specialty Insurance Company fka Stonewall Insurance 22 Company's (collectively "Settling Insurers") Motion for Order Approving Settlement 23 and Barring Claims re Settling Insurers' Policies. The Court has considered the motion 24 and all pleadings and filings on record. 25 ORDER GRANTING SETTLING INSURERS' CLAIM MOTION FOR ORDER Duane Morris LLP 801 Second Avenue, Suite 800 Seattle, WA 98104 Telephone: +1 206 467 1065 Fax: +1 415 957 3001

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APPROVING SETTLEMENT AND

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1	The Court GRANTS Settling Insurers Motion for Order Approving Settlemen
2	and Barring Claims and APPROVES the Confidential Settlement Agreement and
3	Release ("Settlement Agreement") between Plaintiff King County and Settling
4	Insurers. The Court further FINDS and ORDERS:
5	1. The Settlement Agreement is reasonable, and was the result of arm's-
6	length negotiations between parties represented by counsel. The Settlement
7	Agreement is not collusive, inadequate, or entered into for any other improper
8	purpose.
9	2. The non-settling insurers are adequately protected based on the terms
10	of the Settlement Agreement, and King County's representations related to potential
11	setoff for settlements in this case. See King County v. Travelers Indemn. Co., 2018
12	WL 1792189, at *3 (W.D. Wash. Apr. 16, 2018).
13	3. The Court ORDERS that the claims, cross-claims and counterclaims,
14	by and against Settling Insurers in this action are DISMISSED with prejudice. The
15	Court further ORDERS that any other claims for contribution, allocation,
16	subrogation, and equitable indemnity, and any other cause of action in connection
17	with this action against Settling Insurers by any other insurers of King County are
18	hereby BARRED.
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1	4. The Court DIRECTS that this Order shall be entered as a final
2	judgment under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 54(b).
3	IT IS SO ORDERED.
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5	DATED this 16th day of July, 2019.
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7	Barbara Pothetin
8	Barbara Jacobs Rothstein
9	U.S. District Court Judge
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